GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CLEANING OF GANGA BETWEEN KANPUR AND ALLAHABAD
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the river Ganga has become highly polluted between Kanpur and Allahabad;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to clean the same;

(c) the amount of money spent on cleaning the Ganga river between Kanpur and Allahabad along with the details of heads under which the money has been spent;

(d) whether the Government have received any complaints regarding irregularities being committed in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Government thereon ?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) & (b) The stretch of river Ganga between Kanpur and Allahabad is polluted due todischarge of municipal sewage and industrial wastewater into the river. The Government is implementing Ganga Action Plan in various towns, including Kanpur and Allahabad for prevention of pollution of river Ganga. The works taken up under the Ganga Action Plan (GAP) include interception, diversion and treatment of wastewater flowing into the river, low cost sanitation, crematoria, river front facilities and other related works. Industrial pollution is monitored and controlled under the environmental laws. While works of GAP Phase-I in both the towns are already complete, works under GAP Phase-II are under implementation.

(c) The details of money spent head-wise till June, 2001 for pollution abatement of river Ganga at Kanpur and Allahabad is as follows :

(Rs in Lakhs)

Town	Sewerage schemes	Sewage Treatment Plant	Low Cost Sanitation	Crema-toria	River Front	Facilities	Others	Total
Ganga Action Plan Phase-I								
Kanpur	1326.23	5182.23	257.88	77.22	-	353.98		7197.54
Allahabad	800.22	1670.62	174.21	47.11	209.91	120.27		3022.34
Ganga Action Plan Phase-II								
Kanpur	1220.14	151.26	147.59	-	-	779.77		2298.76
Allahabad	491.96	-	-	-	-	-		491.96
Total	3838.55	7004.11	579.68	124.33	209.91	1254.02		13010.60

(d) Government have not received any complaint regarding irregularity in the implementation of Ganga Action Plan.

(e) Does not arise.